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**Subject:** FW: DEP announces testing of all sludge materials before land application  
**Attachments:** MaineDEP-MemoPFASTestingBiosolids-22March2019.pdf

Hi David, Chris was able to track down answers to your questions, please see below in red. He also obtained a copy of the ME memo, attached.

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**From:** Impellitteri, Christopher  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 26, 2019 10:42 AM  
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**Cc:** Mattas-Curry, Lahne <Mattas-Curry.Lahne@epa.gov>  
**Subject:** RE: DEP announces testing of all sludge materials before land application

Please see below. ME memo attached. Also, NEBRA will be posting a fact sheet on the Stone Ridge Farm media event this afternoon. As soon as that pops up, I will send along.

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**From:** Gillespie, Andrew  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 7:32 PM  
**To:** Mills, Marc <mills.marc@epa.gov>; Speth, Thomas <Speth.Thomas@epa.gov>; Impellitteri, Christopher <Impellitteri.Christopher@epa.gov>  
**Cc:** Mattas-Curry, Lahne <Mattas-Curry.Lahne@epa.gov>  
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Any volunteers to try to track down answers to David's questions?  
Looking to NRMRL biosolids experts....

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Dunlap, David" <[dunlap.david@epa.gov](mailto:dunlap.david@epa.gov)>  
**Date:** March 25, 2019 at 6:30:13 PM EDT  
**To:** "Gillespie, Andrew" <[Gillespie.Andrew@epa.gov](mailto:Gillespie.Andrew@epa.gov)>, "Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer" <[Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov](mailto:Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov)>, "Rodan, Bruce" <[rodan.bruce@epa.gov](mailto:rodan.bruce@epa.gov)>  
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Andy,

I'd like to know more about what Maine is attempting to do. For example;

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I assume the letter delivered by the State has all of this information.

DDD

David D. Dunlap  
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**From:** Gillespie, Andrew  
**Sent:** Monday, March 25, 2019 10:02 AM  
**To:** Orme-Zavaleta, Jennifer <[Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov](mailto:Orme-Zavaleta.Jennifer@epa.gov)>; Rodan, Bruce <[rodan.bruce@epa.gov](mailto:rodan.bruce@epa.gov)>; Dunlap, David <[dunlap.david@epa.gov](mailto:dunlap.david@epa.gov)>  
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FYI. I shared with ow.

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Begin forwarded message:

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Excuse any cross postings.

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## DEP Announces Testing of All Sludge Materials Before Land Application

**AUGUSTA, MAINE, March 22, 2019** — The Maine Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) announced today that it will require the testing of all sludge material licensed for land application in the state for per- and polyfluoroalkyl (PFAS). The Department has set an aggressive schedule for testing which must be concluded before any sludge material can be land applied.

"The Maine Department of Environmental Protection is committed to addressing the issue of PFAS contamination in Maine and has been working to proactively identify areas of potential concern," said Maine DEP Commissioner Jerry Reid. "The Department is moving forward with the additional testing requirement to ensure that any future land applications of sludge are safe."

DEP sent a letter today to producers of sludge materials proposed for land application to inform them of the newly-established test requirement and to direct them to prove that all the sludge is below regulatory levels before it can be applied.

The practice of spreading sludge as a soil amendment has been a common practice in Maine and across the nation for decades. Land application of sludge material occurred long before there was knowledge that it may contain PFAS or the health implications of PFAS.

Earlier this month, Governor Janet Mills signed an Executive Order creating a Governor's Task Force to mobilize state agencies and other stakeholders to review the prevalence of PFAS in Maine and put forward a plan to address it.

Questions regarding health concerns from exposure to PFAS should be directed to Maine CDC at 866-292-3474 (toll-free in Maine). Additional information regarding PFAS can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/pfas/basic-information-pfas>.

***For additional information, contact:***

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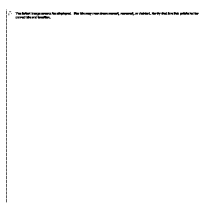
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